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(54) **GLOVE WITH AMMUNITION HOLDER**

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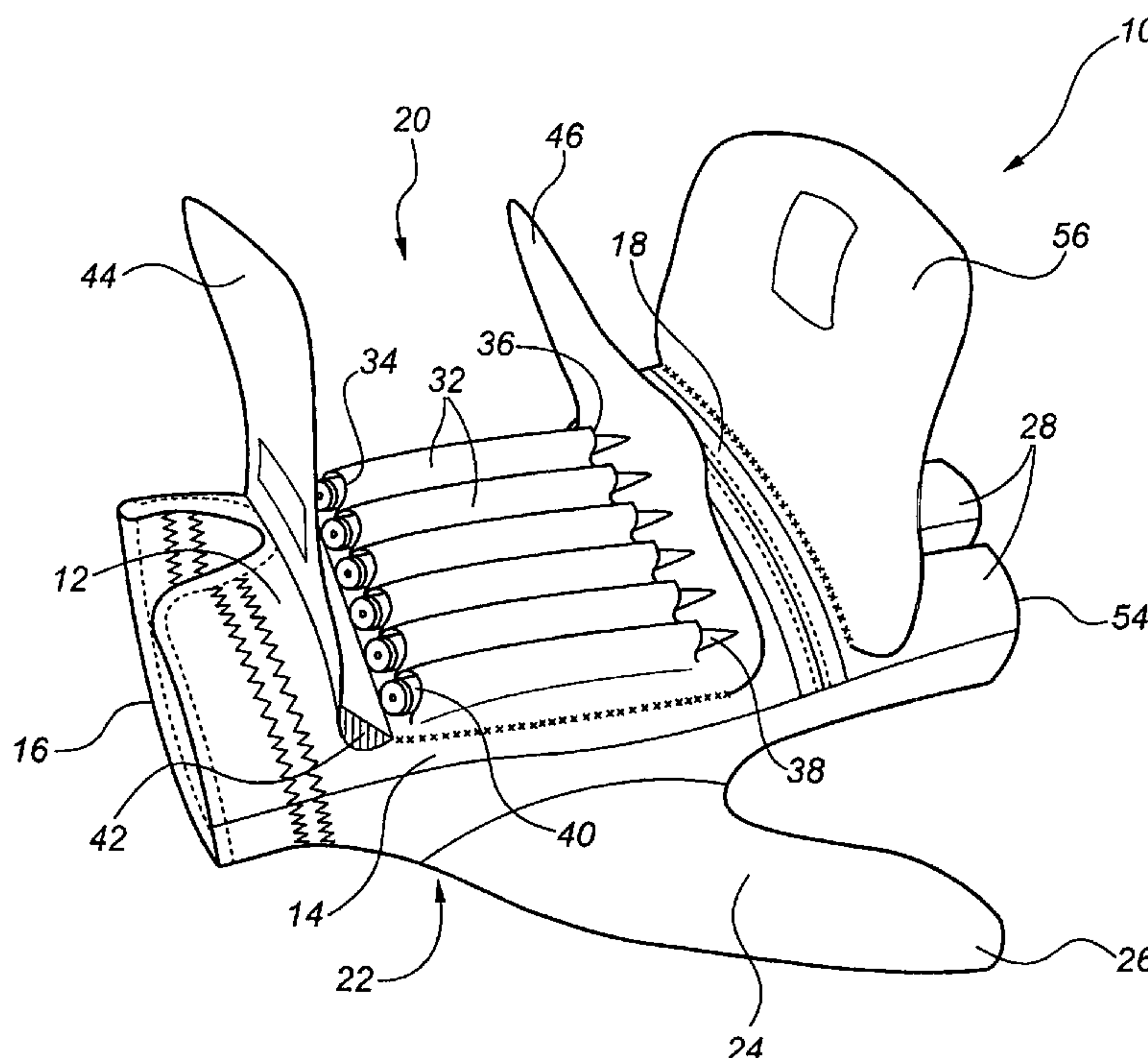
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A glove includes a body having a palm sleeve with a hand entry end, an opposed end, a back of hand face and a palm face. A thumb sleeve is secured to the palm sleeve. A plurality of tubular ammunition sleeves are secured in parallel spaced relation to the back of the hand face of the palm sleeve. Each ammunition sleeve has a first end and a second end. Each ammunition sleeve is adapted to receive a single shell cartridge with a base of the shell cartridge oriented toward the first end of the ammunition sleeve. When ammunition is carried in the ammunition sleeves of the glove described above, it is much safer than carrying a loaded gun while crossing rugged terrain.

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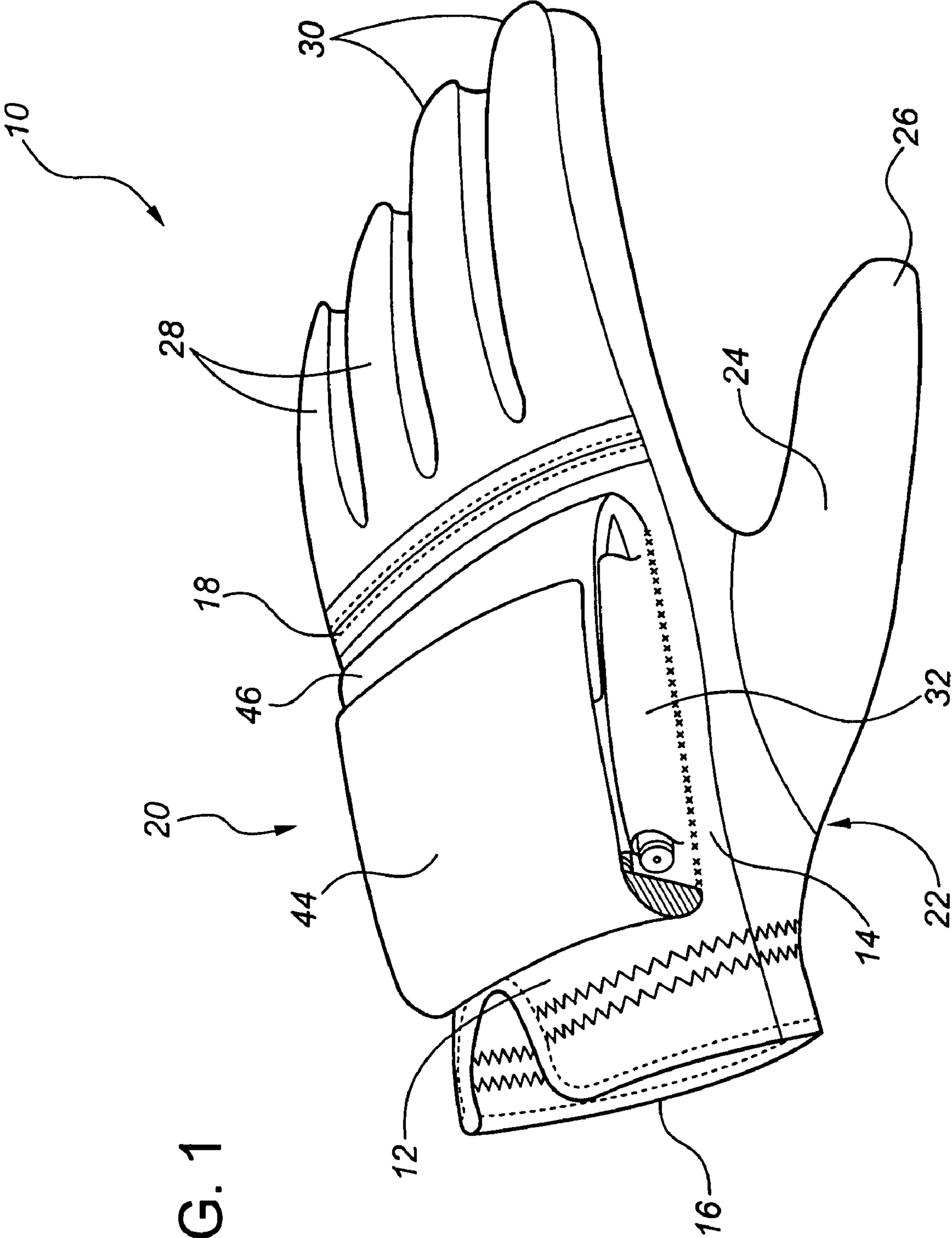


FIG. 1

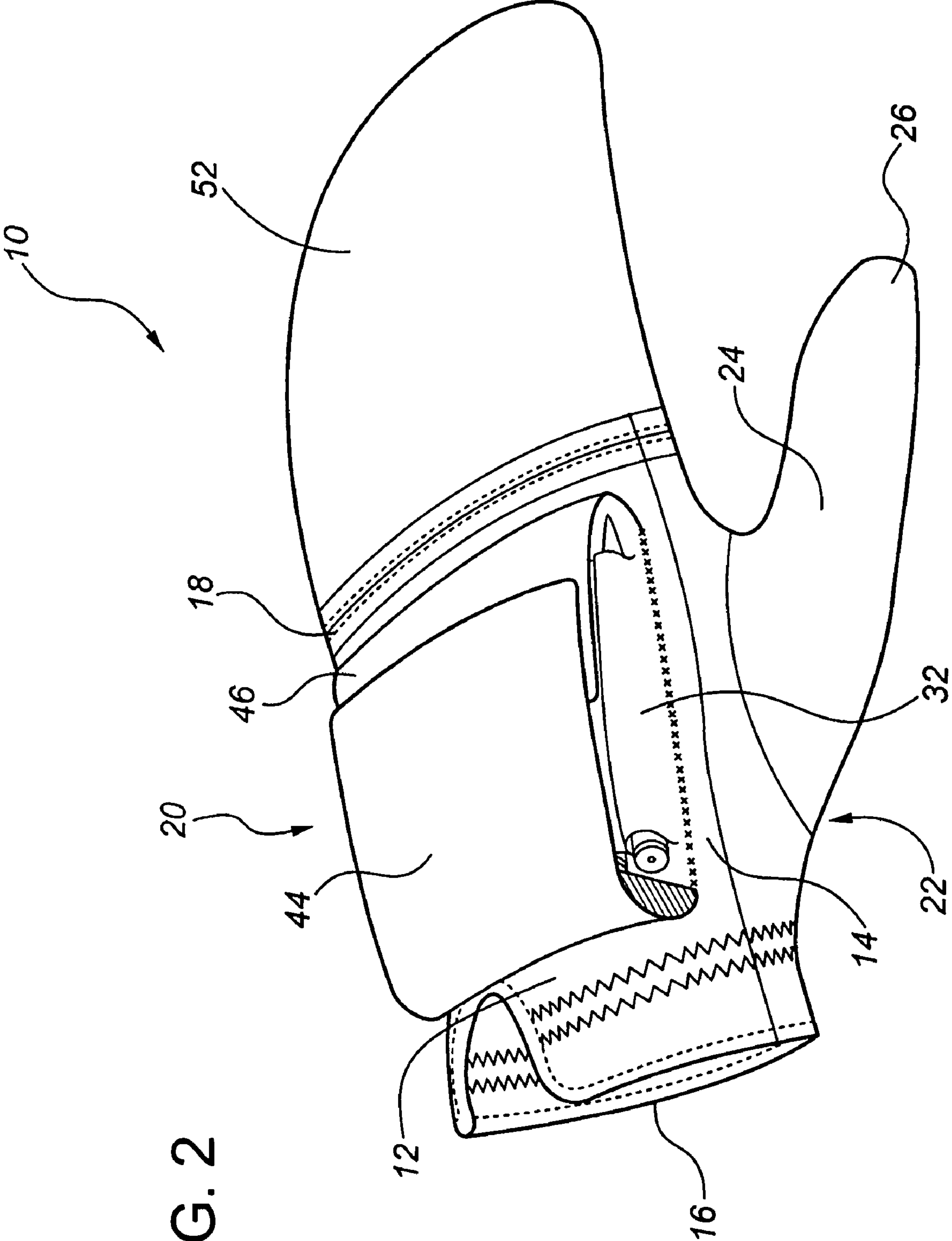


FIG. 2

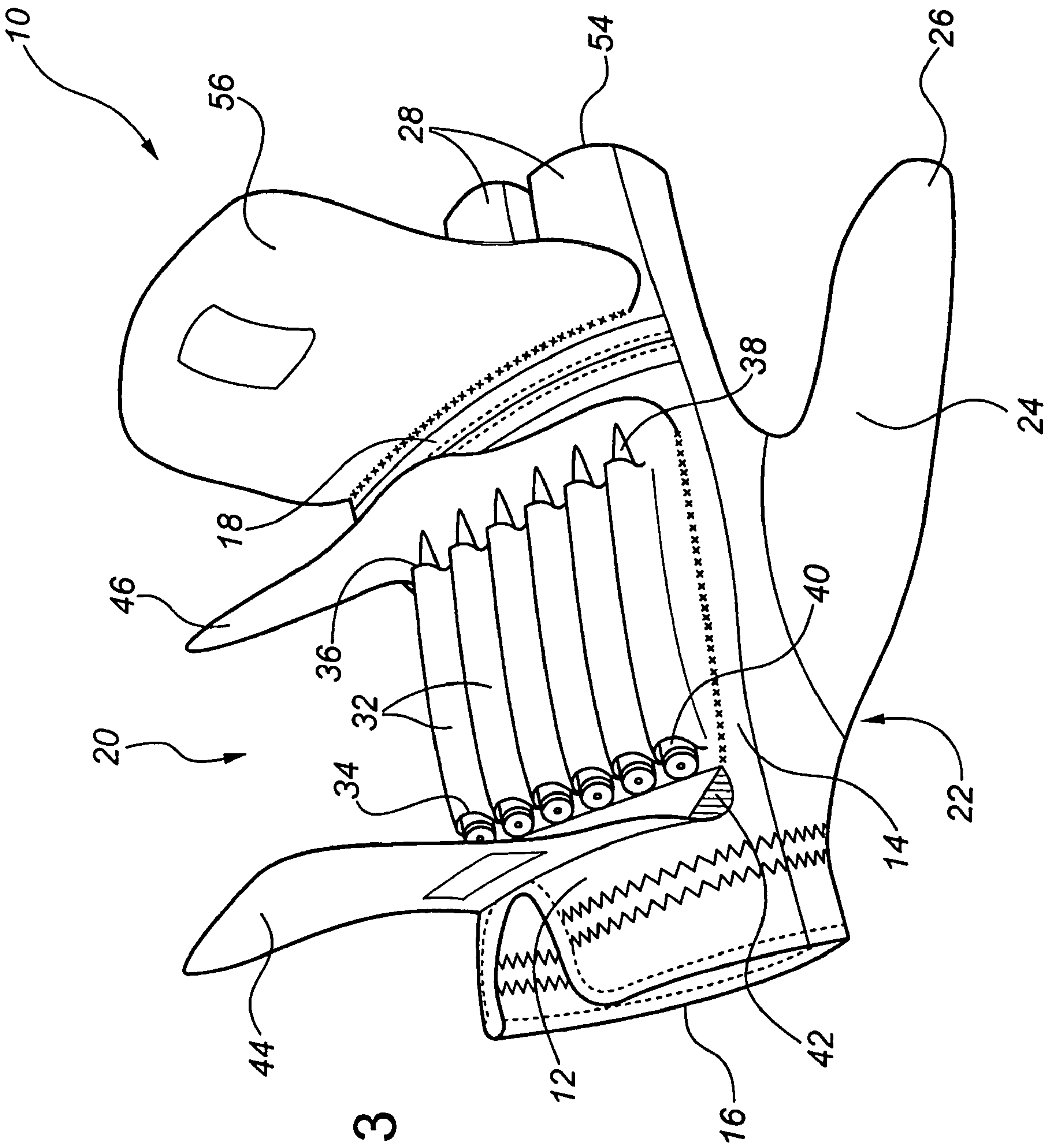


FIG. 3

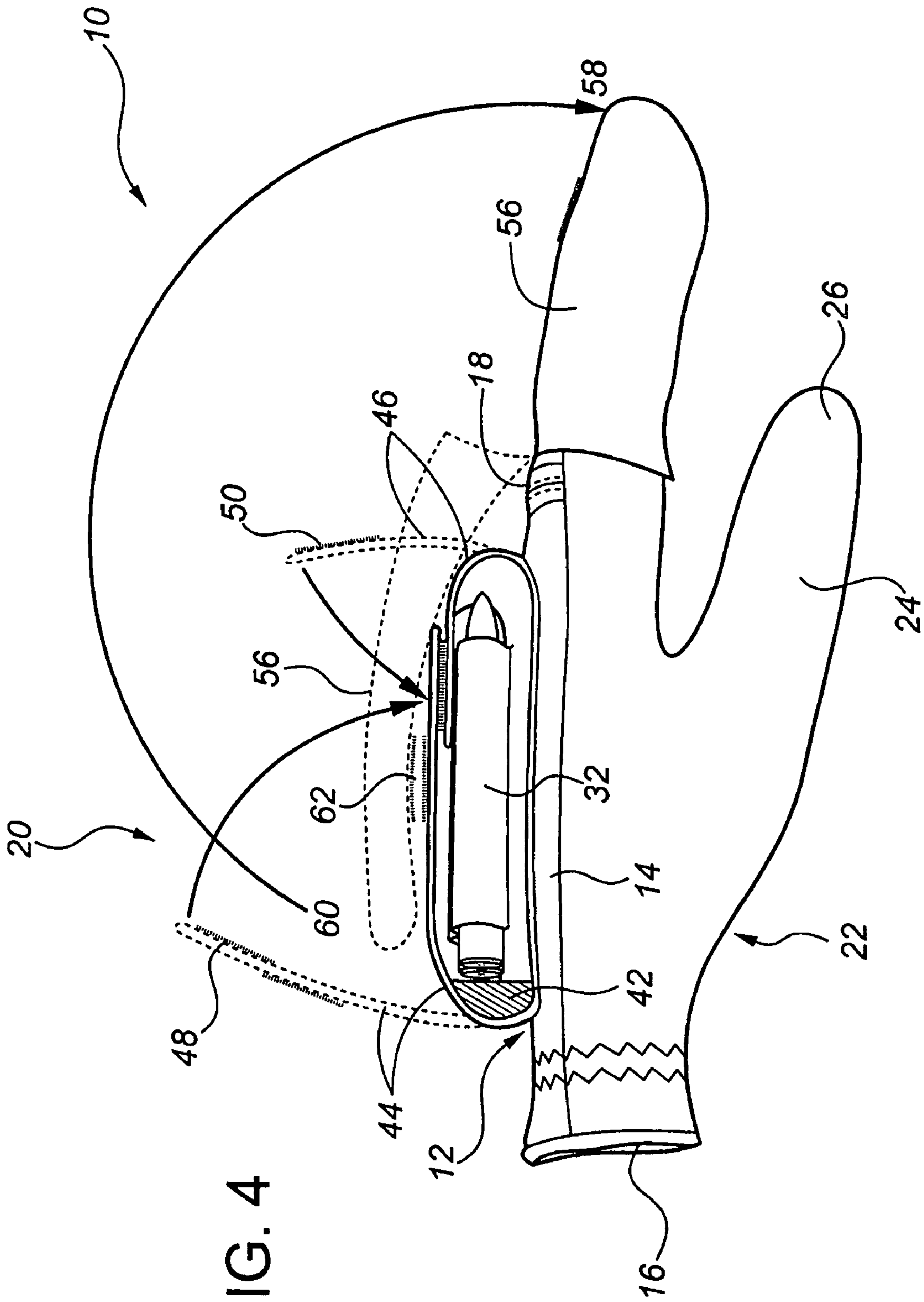


FIG. 4

1**GLOVE WITH AMMUNITION HOLDER**

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to a glove for use by hunters, 5
which is capable of holding ammunition.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Gun Safety courses for hunters frequently teach that the 10
hunter's gun should not be loaded until the hunter arrives in
the vicinity of the intended game. The reason for this
teaching is that there is a risk of the hunter shooting his
companions by accident, if he should stumble crossing
rugged terrain or fall while climbing over an obstacle. In 15
some jurisdictions this has become part of hunting etiquette.
In other jurisdictions this is the law. It is an unfortunate
reality that hunters who obey these safety rules sometimes
miss an opportunity for a shot at their intended game, when
they unexpectedly flush out the game while their gun is still 20
unloaded.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

What is required is a glove in which the hunter may 25
conveniently and safely store his ammunition.

According to the present invention there is provided a
glove which includes a body having a palm sleeve with a
hand entry end, an opposed end, a back of hand face and a
palm face. A thumb sleeve is secured to the palm sleeve. A 30
plurality of tubular ammunition sleeves are secured in
parallel spaced relation to the back of the hand face of the
palm sleeve. Each ammunition sleeve has a first end and a
second end. Each ammunition sleeve is adapted to receive a
single shell cartridge with a base of the shell cartridge 35
oriented toward the first end of the ammunition sleeve.

When ammunition is carried in the ammunition sleeves of
the glove described above, it is much safer than carrying a
loaded gun while crossing rugged terrain. The ammunition
may be rapidly accessed should a shooting opportunity 40
present itself.

Although beneficial results may be obtained through the
use of the glove, as described above, even more beneficial
results may be obtained when a guard is spaced from the first
end of each ammunition sleeve. The guard protects the base 45
of the shell cartridge from impacts, which might cause the
shell cartridge to fire. The glove can take various forms and
there are additional features which may be added, as will
hereinafter be further described in relation to the embodi-
ments illustrated. 50

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

These and other features of the invention will become
more apparent from the following description in which 55
reference is made to the appended drawings, the drawings
are for the purpose of illustration only and are not intended
to in any way limit the scope of the invention to the
particular embodiment or embodiments shown, wherein:

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a glove with ammunition 60
holder constructed in accordance with the teachings of the
invention.

FIG. 2 is a perspective view of a glove with ammunition
holder as illustrated in FIG. 1, in the form of a mitten.

FIG. 3 is a perspective view of a glove with ammunition 65
holder as illustrated in FIG. 1, in the form of an open-ended
finger glove.

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FIG. 4 is a side elevation view of a glove with ammunition
holder as illustrated in FIG. 3 with flaps closed and pouch in
operative position.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE
PREFERRED EMBODIMENT

The preferred embodiment, a glove with ammunition
holder generally identified by reference numeral **10**, will
now be described with reference to FIGS. 1 through 4.

Referring to FIG. 1, glove **10** has a body **12** having a palm
sleeve **14** which, in turn, has a hand entry end **16**, an opposed
end **18**, a back of hand face **20** and a palm face **22**. Body **12**
is further adapted with a thumb sleeve **24** secured to palm
sleeve **14**, thumb sleeve **24** having a remote end **26** which is
closed. Individual finger sleeves **28** are provided at opposed
end **18** of palm sleeve **14**, and have remote ends **30** which
are closed. A plurality of tubular ammunition sleeves **32** are
secured in parallel spaced relation to the back of hand face
20 of palm sleeve **14**. Referring to FIG. 3, each ammunition
sleeve **32** has a first end **34** and a second end **36** with first
ends **34** of plurality of ammunition sleeves **32** oriented
toward hand entry end **16** and second ends **36** of plurality
ammunition sleeves **32** oriented toward opposed end **18**.
Each ammunition sleeve **32** is further adapted to receive a
single shell cartridge **38** with a base **40** of each shell
cartridge **38** oriented toward first end **34** of ammunition
sleeve **32**. A guard **42** is spaced from first end **34** of each
ammunition sleeve **32**. Guard **42** is positioned so as to
protect each base **40** of each shell cartridge **38** from impacts.
In the illustrated embodiment, six ammunition sleeves **32**
are shown. Referring to FIG. 1, glove **10** has a first flap **44**,
spaced from first ends **34** of ammunition sleeves **32** and a
second flap **46**, spaced from second ends **36** of ammunition
sleeves **32**. It is preferred that guard **42** be secured to first
flap **44**. Referring to FIG. 4, where glove with ammunition
holder **10** is open, first flap **44** has a first fastener **48** and
second flap **46** has a second fastener **50** (shown in dotted
lines). Where glove with ammunition holder **10** is closed,
first flap **44** and second flap **46** overlap, with first fastener **48**
engaging second fastener **50** (shown in solid lines). In the
illustrated embodiment, first fastener **48** is the first portion of
a mating tape fastener and second fastener **50** is the second
portion of a mating tape fastener, one example of which is
a hook and loop fastener commonly known by the trademark
VELCRO. It will be appreciated that other means of fast-
ening may be used. It will further be noted that in each
embodiment of glove **10** that follows, the description of the
ammunition holder is the same. Referring to FIG. 2, glove
10 has a body **12** having a palm sleeve **14** which, in turn, has
a hand entry end **16**, an opposed end **18**, a back of hand face
20 and a palm face **22**. Body **12** is further adapted with a
thumb sleeve **24** secured to palm sleeve **14**, thumb sleeve **24**
having a remote end **26** which is closed. In the illustrated
embodiment, opposed end **18** of palm sleeve **14** is closed to
form a mitten **52**. Referring to FIG. 3, glove **10** has a body
12 having a palm sleeve **14** which, in turn, has a hand entry
end **16**, an opposed end **18**, a back of hand face **20** and a
palm face **22**. Body **12** is further adapted with a thumb
sleeve **24** secured to palm sleeve **14**, thumb sleeve **24** having
a remote end **26** which is closed. In the illustrated embodi-
ment, individual finger sleeves **28**, having remote ends **54**
which are open ended such that a wearer's fingers protrude
through individual finger sleeves **28**, are provided at
opposed end **18** of palm sleeve **14**. Further, in the illustrated
embodiment, a finger covering pouch **56** is pivotally secured
to back of hand face **20** of palm sleeve **14**. Referring to FIG.

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4, pouch 56 is movable between an operative position 58 (shown in solid lines), covering remote ends 54 of individual finger sleeves 28, and a stored position 60 (shown in dotted lines), substantially parallel to back of hand face 20 of palm sleeve 14. A fastener 62 is provided to maintain pouch 56 in stored position 60. In the illustrated embodiment, fastener 62 is a mating tape fastener similar to one used to secure first flap 44 and second flap 46. It will be appreciated that other means of fastening may be used.

It will be appreciated by one skilled in the art, that the present invention provides rapid and easy access of ammunition. In the past, hunters have carried ammunition in their pockets. The rattling noise made by the ammunition has sometimes scared game away. The present invention eliminates any such noise.

In this patent document, the word "comprising" is used in its non-limiting sense to mean that items following the word are included, but items not specifically mentioned are not excluded. A reference to an element by the indefinite article "a" does not exclude the possibility that more than one of the element is present, unless the context clearly requires that there be one and only one of the elements.

It will be apparent to one skilled in the art that modifications may be made to the illustrated embodiment without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention as hereinafter defined in the Claims.

The invention claimed is:

1. A glove, comprising:

a body having a palm sleeve having a hand entry end, an opposed end, a back of hand face and a palm face;

a thumb sleeve secured to the palm sleeve;

a plurality of open ended tubular ammunition sleeves secured in parallel spaced relation to the back of the hand face of the palm sleeve, each ammunition sleeve having a first end and a second end, each ammunition sleeve being adapted to receive a single shell cartridge;

a first flap spaced from and positioned transversely across the first end of the ammunition sleeves thereby blocking the first end of the ammunition sleeves; and

a second flap spaced from and positioned transversely across the second end of the ammunition sleeves thereby blocking the second end of the ammunition sleeves,

each of the first flap and the second flap being movable between a flaps open position and a flaps closed position, in the flaps open position the first flap and the second flap are pivoted out of the way to permit access to the ammunition sleeves, in the flaps closed position the first flap closes the first end and the second flap closes the second end of the ammunition sleeves.

2. The glove as defined in claim 1, wherein a guard is spaced from the first end of each ammunition sleeve, the guard being adapted to protect the base of the shell cartridge from impacts, which might cause the shell cartridge to fire.

3. The glove as defined in claim 1, wherein the first ends of the ammunition sleeves are oriented toward the hand entry end and the second ends of the ammunition sleeves are oriented toward the opposed end.

4. The glove as defined in claim 1, wherein individual finger sleeves are provided at the opposed end of the palm sleeve.

5. The glove as defined in claim 4, wherein the individual finger sleeves have remote ends which are open ended, such that a wearer's fingers protrude through the individual finger sleeves.

6. The glove as defined in claim 5, wherein a pouch is pivotally secured to the back of hand face of the palm sleeve,

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the pouch being movable from an operative position covering the remote ends of the individual finger sleeves, and a stored position substantially parallel to the back of hand face of the palm sleeve.

7. The glove as defined in claim 4, wherein the individual finger sleeves have remote ends which are closed.

8. The glove as defined in claim 1, wherein the opposed end of the palm sleeve is closed to form a mitten.

9. The glove as defined in claim 1, the first flap has a first fastener and the second flap has a second fastener, the first flap and the second flap overlapping with the first fastener engaging the second fastener.

10. The glove as defined in claim 9, wherein the first fastener is a first portion of a mating tape fastener and the second fastener is a second portion of the mating tape fastener.

11. A glove, comprising:

a body having a palm sleeve having a hand entry end, an opposed end, a back of hand face and a palm face;

a thumb sleeve secured to the palm sleeve, the thumb sleeve having a remote end which is closed;

individual finger sleeves are provided at the opposed end of the palm sleeve, the individual finger sleeves having remote ends which are closed;

a plurality of tubular ammunition sleeves secured in parallel spaced relation to the back of the hand face of the palm sleeve, each ammunition sleeve having a first end and a second end with the first ends of the ammunition sleeves oriented toward the hand entry end and the second ends of the ammunition sleeves oriented toward the opposed end, each ammunition sleeve being adapted to receive a single shell cartridge with a base of the shell cartridge oriented toward the first end of the ammunition sleeve;

a first flap spaced from and positioned transversely across the first end of the ammunition sleeves thereby blocking the first end of the ammunition sleeves, and a second flap spaced from and positioned transversely across the second end of the ammunition sleeves thereby blocking the second end of the ammunition sleeves, each of the first flap and the second flap being movable between a flaps open position and a flaps closed position, in the flaps open position the first flap and the second flap are pivoted out of the way to permit access to the ammunition sleeves, in the flaps closed position the first flap closes the first end and the second flap closes the second end of the ammunition sleeves; and

a guard spaced from the first end of each ammunition sleeve, the guard being adapted to protect the base of the shell cartridge from impacts, which might cause the shell cartridge to fire.

12. The glove as defined in claim 11, wherein the first flap has a first fastener and the second flap has a second fastener, the first flap and the second flap overlapping with the first fastener engaging the second fastener, the guard being secured to the first flap.

13. The glove as defined in claim 12, wherein the first fastener is a first portion of a mating tape fastener and the second fastener is a second portion of the mating tape fastener.

14. A glove, comprising:

a body having a palm sleeve having a hand entry end, an opposed end, a back of hand face and a palm face;

a thumb sleeve secured to the palm sleeve, the thumb sleeve having a remote end which is closed;

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the opposed end of the palm sleeve being closed to form a mitten;

a plurality of tubular ammunition sleeves secured in parallel spaced relation to the back of the hand face of the palm sleeve, each ammunition sleeve having a first end and a second end with the first ends of the ammunition sleeves oriented toward the hand entry end and the second ends of the ammunition sleeves oriented toward the opposed end, each ammunition sleeve being adapted to receive a single shell cartridge with a base of the shell cartridge oriented toward the first end of the ammunition sleeve;

a first flap spaced from and positioned transversely across the first end of the ammunition sleeves thereby blocking the first end of the ammunition sleeves, and a second flap spaced from and positioned transversely across the second end of the ammunition sleeves thereby blocking the second end of the ammunition sleeves, each of the first flap and the second flap being movable between a flaps open position and a flaps closed position, in the flaps open position the first flap and the second flap are pivoted out of the way to permit access to the ammunition sleeves, in the flaps closed position the first flap closes the first end and the second flap closes the second end of the ammunition sleeves; and

a guard spaced from the first end of each ammunition sleeve, the guard being adapted to protect the base of the shell cartridge from impacts, which might cause the shell cartridge to fire.

15. The glove as defined in claim **14**, wherein the first flap has a first fastener and the second flap has a second fastener, the first flap and the second flap overlapping with the first fastener engaging the second fastener, the guard being secured to the first flap.

16. The glove as defined in claim **15**, wherein the first fastener is a first portion of a mating tape fastener and the second fastener is a second portion of the mating tape fastener.

17. A glove, comprising:

a body having a palm sleeve having a hand entry end, an opposed end, a back of hand face and a palm face;

a thumb sleeve secured to the palm sleeve, the thumb sleeve having a remote end which is closed;

individual finger sleeves are provided at the opposed end of the palm sleeve, the individual finger sleeves having remote ends which are open ended, such that a wearer's fingers protrude through the individual finger sleeves;

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a finger covering pouch pivotally secured to the back of hand face of the palm sleeve, the pouch being movable from an operative position covering the remote ends of the individual finger sleeves, and a stored position substantially parallel to the back of hand face of the palm sleeve, a fastener being provided to maintain the finger covering pouch in the stored position;

a plurality of tubular ammunition sleeves secured in parallel spaced relation to the back of the hand face of the palm sleeve, each ammunition sleeve having a first end and a second end with the first ends of the ammunition sleeves oriented toward the hand entry end and the second ends of the ammunition sleeves oriented toward the opposed end, each ammunition sleeve being adapted to receive a single shell cartridge with a base of the shell cartridge oriented toward the first end of the ammunition sleeve;

a first flap spaced from and positioned transversely across the first end of the ammunition sleeves thereby blocking the first end of the ammunition sleeves, and a second flap spaced from and positioned transversely across the second end of the ammunition sleeves thereby blocking the second end of the ammunition sleeves, each of the first flap and the second flap being movable between a flaps open position and a flaps closed position, in the flaps open position the first flap and the second flap are pivoted out of the way to permit access to the ammunition sleeves, in the flaps closed position the first flap closes the first end and the second flap closes the second end of the ammunition sleeves; and

a guard spaced from the first end of each ammunition sleeve, the guard being adapted to protect the base of the shell cartridge from impacts, which might cause the shell cartridge to fire.

18. The glove as defined in claim **17**, wherein the first flap has a first fastener and the second flap has a second fastener, the first flap and the second flap overlapping with the first fastener engaging the second fastener, the guard being secured to the first flap.

19. The glove as defined in claim **18**, wherein the first fastener is a first portion of a mating tape fastener and the second fastener is a second portion of the mating tape fastener.

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

<u>COLUMN</u>	<u>LINE</u>	<u>ERROR</u>
6 (Claim 17, line 35)	27	“first flag” should read --first flap--

Signed and Sealed this

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